



PPHTC LISTSERV - PUBLIC HEALTH NEWS AND INFORMATION
SEPTEMBER 2005

1. UPCOMING EVENTS

a. *Transforming Health Professional Education: Core Competencies, Microsystems and New Training Venues, September 14-15, 2005*

Conference on Transforming Health Professional Education: Core Competencies, Microsystems and New Training Venues is scheduled for September 14-15, 2005. For more information
<http://www.jcrinc.com/education.asp?durki=8901&site=5&return=8386>

b. *Health Disaster Management Guidelines for Evaluation and Research in the Utstein Style, September 10-11, 2005*

Yale New Haven Center for Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Response is hosting this two-day workshop which will prepare participants to conduct evaluation and research into the pathophysiology of disasters including utilization of severity scores in disaster research and the collection and interpretation of quantitative and qualitative disaster research data will be held on September 10-11, 2005. For more information
<http://yalenewhavenhealth.org/emergency/commu/natlconf.html>

c. *Community Health Assessment Conference – Seattle, WA, September 20-22, 2005*

CDC will be co-sponsoring the Community Health Assessment Conference designed to share information on innovative systems and methods that improve the way data is used to inform the public of health programs, services, and policy at the state and local level. The four sessions of the conference will cover the community health assessment process, community health assessment outcomes, data dissemination, and statistical issues. The conference will be held in Seattle, Washington, from , September 20 -22 at the Renaissance Seattle Hotel.

Registration is free. For more information, visit
<http://www.cdc.gov/epo/dphsi/AI/conference/2005/Conference05.htm>

d. *TeleWeb Virtual Seminar on Nanotechnology, September 14, 2005*

A New TeleWeb Virtual Seminar on Nanotechnology, is scheduled for September 14, 2005 from 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. ET presented by Andrew Maynard, PHD, of NIOSH. Additional details available at:
www.aiha.org/UpcomingTeleWebs.htm

e. *2005 Syndromic Surveillance Conference – Seattle, WA, September 13-15, 2005*

The 2005 Syndromic Surveillance conference (SSC) will take place September 13-15 at the Renaissance Hotel in Seattle, WA. The conference will focus on health functions, such as surveillance, an essential component of the US Health and Human Services Health IT Strategic Framework. The conference will showcase interdisciplinary collaboration to advance disease surveillance, and will include plenary sessions and oral paper presentation tracks, as well as a poster session. For more information, visit
http://www.syndromic.org/con_2005.html .

f. *National Conference on Tobacco, Comorbidity and Stigma - September 29, 2005*

The National Conference on Tobacco, Comorbidity and Stigma, sponsored by the University of Medicine and Dentistry at New Jersey will explore issues related to the treatment of groups whose tobacco addiction has not been properly addressed because of the stigma associated with their illness, be that smoking-caused illness (e.g. lung cancer), an illness that frequently co-occurs with tobacco use (e.g. another addiction or mental health problem) or simply the stigma associated with being a tobacco user (e.g. smoking while pregnant). The conference will be held on Thursday, September 29 at the Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick, NJ. For more information or to register, please visit www.tobaccoprogram.org.

***The Public Health Consequences of Disasters:
Challenges for Public Health Action - September 29,
2005***

This year's Cutler Lecture, sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health and entitled "The Public Health Consequences of Disasters," outlines a number of important areas where epidemiologists can contribute to making disaster management more effective. Dr. Eric K. Noji, a CDC physician detailed to the Department of Defense's Chemical and Biological Defense Program in the Office of the Secretary of Defense at the Pentagon, will discuss how epidemiologists can improve their response to disasters, such as by measuring the extent of a disaster and the effectiveness of assistance offered to its victims. For additional information
<http://www.publichealth.pitt.edu/specialevents/cutler2005/webcast.html>

g. Conference on Children's Health and the Environment – October 1, 2005

The Mid-Atlantic Center for Children's Health and the Environment (MACCHE) will be hosting an annual conference on Children's Health and the Environment on October 1 at the Inner Harbor Marriot in Baltimore, MD. Conference topics include, emerging issues in children's environmental health, childhood obesity and the environment, school environmental health problems, asthma, mold, outcomes of environmental exposures, birth defects, learning problems, risk communication, and the resources of a pediatric environmental health specialty unit. CME or CEU credits are available to physicians and nurses. For details, see
<http://www.gwu.edu/~macche/events.html>

h. Pan Flu satellite broadcast, October 6, 2005

This satellite broadcast of a live training seminar in Richmond, California, October 6, 2005, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. PT will provide essential information and highlight the interventions needed to minimize the consequences of a pandemic event. An optional tabletop exercise will accompany this broadcast to provide participants an opportunity for interaction during a mock pandemic outbreak. The broadcast will also appear for 30 days after the satellite broadcast as a webcast, through www.cdlhn.com. To register, visit http://www.dlnets.com/CDLHNprogram_reg.htm.

i. Professional Conference on Industrial Hygiene (PCIH), October 20-21, 2005

The 20th Annual Professional Conference on Industrial Hygiene held in partnership with the AIHA Rocky Mountain Local Section, Denver, Colorado is scheduled for October 20-21. For more information and to register, visit www.aiha.org/pcih.htm

j. 3rd National Prevention Summit, Washington, DC, October 24-25, 2005

The 3rd National Prevention Summit, will focus on chronic disease prevention and health promotion and will feature innovative prevention programs that are making a difference in communities across the country. The summit will be held on, October 24 – 25, 2005 at the Hyatt Regency in Washington, DC. To register or submit an abstract, visit <http://www.healthierus.gov/>. Registration is free, and early registration is recommended as space is limited. All participants must register to attend. There will be no onsite registration.

k. International Environmental Exposures Meeting, Tucson, AZ, October 30- November 3, 2005

The University of Arizona Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health is co-sponsoring, with the International Society of Exposure Analysis (ISEA) and various federal agencies, an international meeting on environmental exposures, exposure assessment, and health responses on October 30-November 3 in Tucson, AZ. For more information, see
<http://www.scarrittgroup.com/scarrittgroup/isea/>

l. American Industrial Hygiene Conference & Exposition (AIHce), May 14-16, 2005

Co-located with VENT 2006-May 14-16, 2006, Chicago, IL. Please visit www.aiha.org/aihce.htm to submit a presentation and for detailed information.

m. Second American Congress of Epidemiology, June 21-24, 2006

The Second American Congress of Epidemiology 2006 will be taking place in Seattle, WA at the Westin Seattle Hotel from June 21-24, 2006, so please save the date. The planning committee and sponsors are currently listed at <http://www.epicongress2006.org/>.

2. PUBLIC HEALTH TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

a. Transforming Health Professional Education: Core Competencies, Microsystems and New Training Venues, September 14-15, 2005

Joint Commission Resources presents "Transforming Health Professional Education: Core Competencies, Microsystems and New Training Venues," a conference covering core competencies, Microsystems, and new training venues will be held on September 14 to 15. For more information,
<http://www.jerinc.com/education.asp?durki=8901&site=5&return=8386>

b. *Loma Linda University Offers Bachelor Degree Programs in Public Health*

Loma Linda University School of Public Health (LLUSPH) offers several BS degree programs in different disciplines of public health including, Health Geographics, Biomedical Data Management, Healthcare Administration, and Wellness Management. For more information about LLUSPH programs visit <http://www.llu.edu/llu/sph/programs.html>

c. *Public Health Training Network (PHTN) Web cast series*

Upcoming Public Health Training Network (PHTN) distance learning opportunities sponsored by CDC and other PHTN partners can be found at <http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/PHTN/calendar.asp>

d. *Certificate in Maternal and Child Health, University of Hawaii*

A certificate "The Public Health Certificate in MCH Leadership" is developed by university of Hawaii to strengthen Maternal and Child Health (MCH). For more information, visit <http://www.hawaii.edu/ogsas/mchcert.htm>

e. *PPHTC - Online Training in Food borne Illness and Principles of Public Health*

Food borne Illness and the Principles of Public Health are online courses sponsored by the Pacific Public Health Training Center (PPHTC). Food Borne Illness course describes different contaminants, specific illnesses, and prevention techniques related to food borne illnesses. The principles of Public Health course provides an overview of the most important issues and topics related to public health departments and public health practice. To take the course (s) visit <http://www.pphtc.org/training/courselist.htm>

3. PUBLIC HEALTH RESOURCES

a. *New Publication –Public's Health*

The July/August '05 issue of the Public's Health has been published at: <http://www.ladhs.org/media/>

b. *Just released: America's Children: Key National Indicators of Well-being 2005*

This report is a compendium of statistics from 20 federal agencies with the latest available data on 25 key indicators related to children's economic security, health, behavior and social environment, and education and on nine background measures related to population and family characteristics. This year the report presents three special features on children's with asthma, children with specified blood lead levels, and parental reports of emotional and behavioral difficulties in children. In addition, a special section highlights family structure and children's well-being. Visit <http://childstats.gov/>

c. *Disaster University-Santa Clara County(CA) Public Health Department*

Santa Clara County public Health Department Disaster University offers opportunities to learn and practice response to public health emergencies and disasters. For schedule of courses, visit <http://sccphd.org/odms/du>

d. *Public Health Education & Training*

Institutions that offer Education and Training programs in California, Hawaii and others can be found at <http://www.pphtc.org/training/training.htm>

e. *CDC's Environmental Public Health Tracking Program*

Environmental public health tracking is the ongoing data collection, integration, analysis, and interpretation of data about environmental hazards, exposure to environmental hazards, and human health effects potentially related to exposure to environmental hazards. For more information, visit <http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/tracking>

f. *Environmental Data Standards Council*

The Environmental Data Standards Council (EDSC or Council) develops environmental data standards to promote the exchange of information among States, Native American Tribes, and US EPA. <http://www.envdatastandards.net>

g. *NLM Launches New Resource Site*

The National Library of Medicine (NLM) recently launched a new resource webpage entitled Resources for International Librarians, Health Professionals and Researchers. The webpage, which can be found at <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/psd/ref/international.html>, links to a variety of resources, including courses, document delivery, and NLM sites of interest.

h. *Hawaii Health Portal*

Hawaii Health Portal provides links to health information for Hawaii <http://hawaiihealthportal.org/>

i. *Nationwide Health Data*

The rural health policy research institute has launched a website that contains health data for public consumption. See <http://circ.rupri.org/index.asp>

j. *CDC Community Guide Available Online*

CDC announces *Guide to Community Preventive Services: What Works to Promote Health?* This publication be viewed online and downloaded at <http://www.thecommunityguide.org>.

4. GENERAL PUBLIC HEALTH INFORMATION

a. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality – Improving patient safety and preventing medical Errors

A new web site announced by HHS' Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) is a national "one-stop" portal of resources for improving patient safety and preventing medical errors. The site, AHRQ's Patient Safety Network, or PSNet, can be found at <http://psnet.ahrq.gov>

b. Health Trends in Hawai'i - a profile of the Health Care system

Hawai'i Health Information Corporation (HHIC) is pleased to present the sixth edition of the *Health Trends in Hawai'i: A Profile of the Health Care System*, sponsored by the HMSA Foundation. The foundation supports this biannual publication as a means of providing objective, reliable health care data in an easy-to-use format. In this edition, Health Trends in Hawaii is divided into demographics, health status, health market, health

resources and health resource utilization. Visit <http://www.healthtrends.org/>

c. Dietary Guidelines for Americans 2005

Dietary Guidelines provides science-based advice to promote health and to reduce risk for major chronic diseases through diet and physical activity. For more information, visit <http://www.healthierus.gov/dietaryguidelines>

d. Hawaii Health System Forms Telemedicine Network

Hawaii Health Systems partners with University of Hawaii School of Medical Pathology, Clinical Labs of Hawaii and other organizations to form a telemedicine network that will use telemedicine and telepathology technology for treatment purposes and distance learning. The network provides education and training to medical pathology residents, distance learning services for rural health professionals and patients and access to certain medical care through telemedicine consultations. The technologies allow physicians to receive test results in just a few minutes instead of several days.

<http://www.hhsc.org/>

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